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Serial No.: 09/733,161) Examiner: Ann Lam
Filed: February 14, 2000) Art Unit: 3763
Title: Silicone Elastomer Material for) Account No.: 04-1403
Use with Enteric Feeding Device) Customer ID.: 22827

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action, Applicants request reconsideration.

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims 25	minus 26	= 0	X \$18 = \$.00
Independent Claims 3	minus 3	= 0	X \$86 = \$.00
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